Losses Suffered by DESU

1651. SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of losses suffered by the D.E.S.U from December 1989 to October 1991 (Year-wise);

(b) the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps taken to bring down the losses;

(d) the number of D.E.S.U employees who lost their lives while on duty during the last one year giving the reasons for their deaths;

(e) the number of D.E.S.U. employees charge-sheeted, suspended during the last 12 months and the reasons therefor; and

(f) the number of departmental cases pending against the D.E.S.U. employees giving full details thereof and the steps taken to expedite the finalisation of those cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) Since the accounts of DESU are prepared on the financial year basis, the relevant figures are as follows:-

Year	*Deficit (Rs. in crores)*
1989-90	233.29 (provisional)
1990-91	239.76 (Provisional)
1991-92 (upto Oct, 91)	70.00 (Estimated)

(b) and (c). The DESU had been suffering *huge revenue dificits due to alround* increase in the cost of various inputs including cost of generation/purchase of power without corresponding increase in its tariff since April, 1985. The tariff has been revised with effect from 1.3.91 to bring down the losses. Besides this, DESU has also taken steps to reduce the transmission & distribution losses and to check theft/misuse of electricity.

(d) 15 DESU employees died in harness during November, 90 to October, 1991 due to electric shock, road accidents, falling/slipping from electric pole/ladder, or burning in electric flash-over etc.

(e) and (f). 181 DESU employees were charge-sheeted, and 47 were suspended during the last one year on account of their involvement in criminal proceedings, misconduct and commission of other irregularities. There are total a of 494 departmental cases, as on October, 1991, pending against DESU employees. DESU has streamlined/strengthened the Vigilance Department are created two Prosecution Cells to expedite finalisation of the above cases.

[*Translation*]

Computers for Registered Post

1652 SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of computers installed for Registered Post in the Post Offices under Postal Division, Delhi alongwith the time of their installation;

(b) the number of employees engaged on this work before and after the installation of the computers;

(c) whether the Governmental expenses have increased on Registered Post due to Computerisation; and